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Summary of Amendments Made in Order Under the Rule to H.R. 1646, the Foreign Relations Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2002 and 2003

The following are the summaries (provided by the respective offices offering amendments) of the amendments made in order under the rule to the Foreign Relations Authorization Act (H.R. 1646). In parentheses are the times for which each amendment will be debatable. In ***bold italics*** are additions made by RSC staff based on RSC analysis.

DeLay Provides legal protections to ensure that American citizens, especially U.S. military personnel, are not prosecuted by the International Criminal Court for actions undertaken by them on behalf of the U.S. government unless and until the Senate ratifies the treaty establishing the Court. (**Passed 282-137-1, roll call #106**)

Hyde/Lantos/Sweeney Establishes the additional preconditions of the U.S. return to the U.N. Human Rights Commission and to a determination on the voting practices in the U.N. to the release of \$244 million in previously appropriated funds to pay U.S. arrearages to the U.N. and other international organizations. (**Passed 252-165-1, roll call #107**)

Tancredo Removes language authorizing the payment of funds required for the U.S. to rejoin the U.N. Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and removes language expressing the Sense of Congress that the president should renew the membership and participation of the U.S. in the U.N. Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization. ***The White House supported the Tancredo Amendment.*** (**Failed 193-225, roll call #108**)

Hyde/Barcia/Smith (NJ)/Oberstar Strikes Sections 131 through 133 of the bill - the effect being to preserve the President's legal authority to implement the pro-life "Mexico City Policy" which prohibits U.S. population assistance funds from being made available to foreign organizations that perform or actively promote abortions in foreign countries. (60 minutes)

Amendments Debatable for 10 minutes each:

Lampson Extends the reporting requirement of the Department of State on the compliance with the provisions of the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction to 2003.

Slaughter Requires the Secretary of State to file a bi-annual report on the status of the German Foundation "Remembrance, Responsibility, and the Future," which was established by the U.S. and Germany in July, 2000, to settle all Holocaust era slave labor, forced labor, banking and insurance claims against German industry. Expresses the Sense of Congress that the determination of the Secretary's report should be reflected in statements of interest filed by the U.S. government and that all valid slave labor claims should be paid pursuant to the agreement without regard to the settlement of any other claims.

Hyde Corrects a drafting error in P.L. 106-113 eliminating language imposing a two-year waiting period for the filing of certain grievances, and provides instead that the normal two-year time limit may be extended to as long as three years in certain circumstances.

Bartlett Restricts the release of \$244 million in previously appropriated funds to pay U.S. arrearages to the U.N. until such time as the GAO completes a report to Congress relating to U.S. voluntary contributions to the U.N. for peacekeeping operations from 1990-2001.

Velázquez Requires U.S. AID to conduct an evaluation of industries under-represented by small businesses in U.S. AID contracts.

Jackson-Lee Requires the Department of State to compile an annual human rights country report on children used as soldiers.

Sanders/Morella Reauthorizes through 2003 funding (*\$10 million for FY2002 and \$15 million for FY2003*) and certain provisions of the Victims of Trafficking Assistance Act and ensures to the maximum extent practicable that program initiatives authorized under this section provide support to local in-country nongovernmental organizations to provide culturally and linguistically appropriate services to victims of trafficking.

Miller (FL) Requires a report to Congress on efforts between the U.S. and the governments of foreign countries to extradite criminals to the U.S. during the preceding year. The report would consist of a country-by-country report of the number of outstanding extradition cases, the number of extradition requests made by the U.S. that have been denied, and any reasons for delays in extradition and specific actions taken by the U.S. to obtain extradition.

Manzullo Mr. Manzullo will offer an amendment to render six American victims of a 1985 TWA hijacking eligible for compensation on the same basis as the five other groups of Americans victimized by terrorism listed in the Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act (Public Law 106-386). Through inadvertent error, one of the victims of

the TWA hijacking was included in P.L. 106-386, while these six Americans were overlooked and were not included.

Brady (TX) Sense of Congress to develop and implement a process for negotiating new effective extradition treaties.

Faleomavaega Sense of Congress recognizing the extraordinary importance of the national elections this year in Fiji, East Timor and Peru. ***Calls on the Secretary of State to send election monitors to Fiji and unspecified “technical support” to East Timor and Peru.***

Brady (TX) Sense of Congress regarding the murder of John Alvis in Azerbaijan.

Flake Sense of Congress condemning the anti-Semitic remarks of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad.

Weiner Sense of Congress requesting the Secretary of State to review the current Travel Warning in place for Israel, the West Bank and Gaza to determine which areas within those regions may be visited safely and which areas present the highest risk to Americans traveling abroad.

Underwood Sense of Congress supporting the recent agreements outlined in the Joint Statement by the U.S. and the Republic of the Philippines on a Framework for Bilateral Cooperation in the Environmental and Public Health and encourages an objective non-governmental study which would examine environmental contamination and health effects emanating from former U.S. military facilities in the Philippines, following departure of U.S. military forces from the Philippines in 1992.

Shays Sense of Congress that, to the degree permitted by security considerations, Peace Corps offices abroad should be permitted at locations separate from a U.S. embassy.

Engel Extends the Congress' sympathy to the brave men and women who were incarcerated by the Axis powers during WWII and their families for the hardships they endured and encourages foreign nations that incarcerated U.S. civilians during WWII to formally apologize to these individuals and their families.

Trafficant Sense of Congress that any entity that receives funds under this bill should purchase American-made products.

Lantos Prohibits IMET for the armed forces of Lebanon unless the President certifies that the Lebanese Army has deployed to the internationally recognized border between Lebanon and Israel and the Government of Lebanon is effectively asserting its authority.

Menendez Prohibits U.S. funding to programs and projects of the International Atomic Agency in Iran, unless the Secretary of State determines that such programs and projects are consistent with U.S. nuclear nonproliferation and safety goals, and will not provide

Iran with training or experience relevant to the development of nuclear weapons, and are not being used as a cover for the acquisition of nuclear technology. ***Such determinations would be based on an annual review process for the next five years.***

Lantos Outlines a 3-5 year U.S. trade, aid, and security agenda for East Timor, which is currently under UN control and is scheduled for full independence later this year. ***Calls on various federal agencies to give technical assistance to East Timor and to help develop a civil society (e.g. a free press) there. \$26 million would be authorized for FY2002.***

Lantos Adds a new title at the end of the bill called the Freedom Investment Act of 2001 which provides 1% of funds made available under the Dept. of State's Diplomatic and Consular Programs account for fiscal year 2004 and thereafter is authorized to be available only for the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor and overseas human rights positions. ***A new fund, the Human Rights and Democracy Fund, would be established. \$27 million per fiscal year for FY2002, 2003, and 2004 would be authorized.***